

Congregate Housing

The Congregate Housing program funds service coordinators to help support residents in shared housing situations. In Congregate Housing, residents have their own private bedroom, and may share the kitchen, dining, and bathroom areas with other residents. Service coordinators work with residents to ensure a stable environment and foster a sense of community by helping residents access community resources, managing issues that arise from shared living, and helping to plan social activities.



Eligibility

To be eligible for Congregate Housing you must be either:

- Age 60+ or 62+, depending on the type of housing
- Under age 60 and living with a disability
- Be capable of independent living and not need 24-hour care to carry out activities of daily living
- Be medically stable and oriented to person, place, and time
- Not exhibit behaviors which would be a disturbance to other Congregate Housing residents

Congregate Housing residents will also have to pass any screening criteria (e.g., criminal records, housing history, etc.) used by the housing agency to process applicants.

Contact

If you're interested in Congregate Housing, <u>click here</u> to view the list of Congregate Housing sites and then contact the site directly. If you need assistance, call MassOptions at 800-243-4636. Call Specialists are available Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

- Mass.gov/Aging
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